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SECURING A SPORTS BOARD FIN  
TO A SPORTS BOARD  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Attention: Andrew D. Wright  
Primary Patent Examiner

Dear Mr. Wright:

In response to an Advisory Action dated January 20, 2006, please consider the following amendment and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.